Peritonitis in Aroclor Dogs

Peritonitis has been found in two dogs on the Aroclor study. One was being fed 100 ppm of Aroclor 1260, while the other was being fed 10 ppm of Aroclor 1254. There was peritonitis on the serous surfaces of the stomach, intestine and bladder. This lesion was chronic and probably was present for a week or longer. There was severe autolysis of the tissues which could account for some of the changes.

The exact cause of the peritonitis was not determined, however, such changes have been seen in control dogs. It is felt that this peritonitis was not related to ingestion of either of the Aroclors.

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